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## **Message from President**

Nepal Goodweave Foundation (NGF) carries a glorious history of more than two and a half decades of addressing child labor issues in carpet industry sector. Being the country affiliate to GoodWeave International, NGF has conducted various programs against child labor along with providing support to the family members of the carpet workers in Nepal. It has been able to integrate more than 50% of the carpet industry including carpet weaving sectors to GoodWeave's social programs. Moreover, it is expanding towards other industries like brick kilns and planning to extend its programs in tea sector as well in the future.

The year 2021 was full of hopes and challenges. NGF welcomed new Executive Committee through its Annual General Meeting this year. NGF strived to achieve significant progress in quality enhancement and capacity development of children through programs on self-defense skills and dance. Further, NGF is extending by its coverage to the brick industry by replicating its own model and also working to enhance the livelihood of underprivileged people.

During the past three years, the COVID-19 pandemic and its consequences affected NGF and its programs in various ways. Coming years will require more realistic and sustainable programs as well as finding the new sources of funds to enhance the coverage of the social programs against child labor in future.

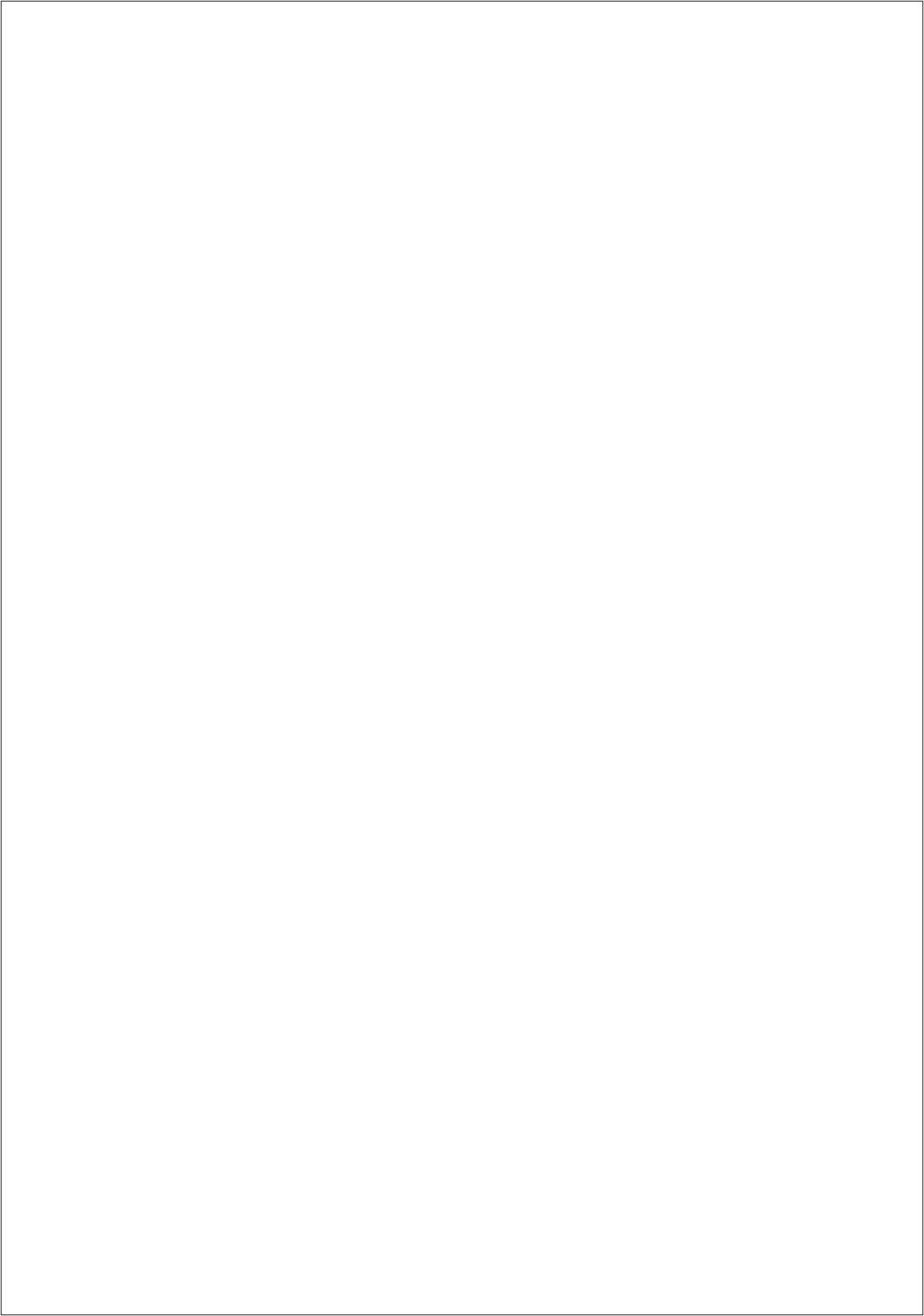
This report tries to cover the activities of the entire year with continuation of most of the programs from the past year including rehabilitation, advocacy and capacity enhancement of its member organizations, staff and networking.

The accomplishments of the year are the results of collaborative endeavors of GoodWeave International (GWI); especially to CEO Ms. Nina Smith, board members, national initiatives, licensees, partner organizations, NGF staff, stakeholders and donors. Therefore, I would like to take this opportunity to extend my sincere appreciation and gratitude to all of them for their support and team spirit.

Thank You!



**Samik Bikram Shah**  
President



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# **An Overview**

Nepal GoodWeave Foundation (former Nepal RugMark Foundation) is a non-profit making, non-government organization established in December 1995 as a result of collaboration among Carpet Entrepreneurs, Child Right NGOs and International Development Organizations; viz. United Nations International Children and Education Fund (UNICEF), German Agency for Technical Cooperation (GTZ), and Asian American Free Labor Institute (AAFLI).

Being a country affiliate of GoodWeave International (GWI), Nepal GoodWeave Foundation (NGF) has proven to be a viable initiative that effectively addresses child labor issues in the carpet industry of Nepal. In more than 26 years of its operation in Nepal, NGF has been able to bring more than 50% of the carpet industries to the GoodWeave's viable standards including carpet weaving and spinning sectors. Moreover, it is largely expanding towards covering the entire carpet industry of Nepal and replicating its sustainable model to other industries.

GoodWeave tries to maintain child labor-free environment in Nepali carpet industry and other industries preventing children from entering the industries. On the other hand, NGF provides meaningful alternatives to ensure child rights through education, rehabilitation and skills development to the children in carpet industry through various programs and activities.

## **Vision**

GoodWeave's vision is a world free of child labor.

## **Mission**

GoodWeave ensures ethical production reducing child labor and enhancing socio-environmental aspects of carpet and other industries.

## **Objectives**

- ◇ Develop child labor free supply chain of carpet and other industries and nurture the market preference.
- ◇ Support to create ethical production in social and environmental aspects through expanded standards.
- ◇ Provide preventive and alternative opportunities for children in the working community of industries.
- ◇ Advocate the concerned stakeholders for protection of child and human rights.
- ◇ Apply the sustainable model for organizational strengthening.
- ◇ To prevent use of child labor by having carpet producers/exporters abide by the legal and social responsibilities through licensing of GoodWeave.

## **Features**

Nepal GoodWeave Foundation (NGF) works to remove child labor from workplaces and provides them with a long-term and meaningful rehabilitation with appropriate education and vocational training. It makes concerted efforts for family reintegration of the children, while ensuring opportunities for continued education with continued support for schooling. The organization carries out preventive education and other welfare programs for children and families of carpet workers. It contributes in creating clean, healthy and sustainable environment through working with community and concerned stakeholders.

# Program of NGF

## ◇ Rehabilitation Program

- Centre-Based Rehabilitation Program ('HAMRO GHAR')
- Community-Based Rehabilitation Program
- School-Based Rehabilitation program
- Vocational Training

## ◇ Preventive Social Program

- Sponsored Education Program (SEP)
- Day Care Education (Early Childhood Development Centre)
- Psycho social counseling provided to children and their families

## ◇ Awareness and Advocacy Program

- Consultative meetings with stakeholders
- Mass awareness programs
- Publication and distribution of printed materials (Annual reports, brochures, posters and calendars)
- Production and Airing of Radio PSAs

## **Social Programs**

The social programs are the major highlights of NGF. Child Development depart carries out the entire social programs. Mainly, the social programs are based on three major components viz. rehabilitation programs, preventive programs and awareness and advocacy programs. Under these three major components, various activities are conducted. Major activities conducted in 2021 are as follows:

- a. Rehabilitation Program
- b. Preventive Social Program
- c. Awareness and Advocacy Program

### **a. Rehabilitation Program**

- Centre-Based Rehabilitation Program
- Community-Based Rehabilitation Program
- School-Based Rehabilitation program
- Vocational Training

### **i. Centre Based Rehabilitation Program**

Center Based Rehabilitation Program was started in 1997 through the Transit Home 'HAMRO GHAR'. The main objective of the center is to take care of rescued children until their reunion with their family. During the inspection and monitoring of GoodWeave's licensee carpet factories, when a child is identified as a child laborer working in any of the processes at carpet factory, s/he is removed by monitoring team and sent to 'HAMRO GHAR' for center-based rehabilitation. 'HAMRO GHAR' is the initial stage of NGF's Centre-Based Rehabilitation Program, where children are provided a homely environment in absence of their biological family and homes. Further, it also supports children to overcome their challenging experiences, restart

their education and rebuild their lives with support from a specialist team at 'HAMRO GHAR'. 'HAMRO GHAR' is the transit home for those removed children, where they can stay for maximum of three years until they are reintegrated with their biological family or get other support.

NGF social team, accompanied by the psychosocial counselor, conducts various assessments to determine the family and socio-economic status of each child. Further, the counselor also provides emotional support to find out the reason behind their ending up as a child laborer and issues of safety of child to return to their family. Considering all the factors, the child is rehabilitated to the family with or without support from NGF on the basis of requirements. If the family environment is insecure for the child to return, a provision is made for a long-term support for child at the transit home with possibility of external education opportunities on a need basis. The social team continues its efforts to support possible family rehabilitation in the future and explores alternatives to provide family contact to the child, while keeping in mind the best interests of the child.

Most of the removed children are illiterate or school dropouts, have overworked and have been subject to abuse. At 'HAMRO GHAR', children receive continuous counseling, regular health checkups and socialization as per their age and education level. Moreover, it provides the children with complete and safe residential facilities and recreational facilities along with an in-house, non-formal education system called an 'Accelerated Education Program', which prepares the children for their eventual transition into the mainstream system. Altogether, 31 children received benefits through this program in 2021. Till the end of the year, there were 19 children (6 Girls and 13 boys) staying at the rehabilitation center and other children were CBR and enrolled in Laboratory school.

## **Kabir Syangtan**

When Kabir was a child, his father abandoned his family for another woman. When his mother remarried, his stepfather rejected him - first sending him to live with his maternal uncle in the same village and then, when he was 13-years-old, was sent to Kathmandu. Kabir was excited about going



to the big city. At first, he thought he was going to school. But instead, unbeknownst to Kabir, his stepfather took an advance of Rs.20,000 in exchange for Kabir's labor. Kabir worked for over a year in a factory to repay the advance which his stepfather had taken. When Nepal went into lockdown because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Kabir's uncle brought him to another carpet factory to live, where he worked from five in the morning to eight in the evening. Fortunately for Kabir, this carpet factory was part of a GoodWeave supply chain. GoodWeave monitoring team removed Kabir during a routine factory visit. Kabir is now living in the GoodWeave transit home 'HAMRO GHAR' and is back in school. He wants to join the army and serve his country. He is grateful to GoodWeave for providing him with hope and a happy life at 'HAMRO GHAR'.

## **Laxmi Sunar**

When Laxmi was just a baby, her father died and her mother remarried, leaving Laxmi and her younger brother in the care of her aunt. When the COVID-19 pandemic hit, Laxmi's aunt could no longer support them including their education, so Laxmi went to work in a brick kiln to help her family make ends meet.



Thirteen-year-old Laxmi had been working at the brick kiln for a month when Better Brick Nepal (BBN) project team found her. They contacted GoodWeave right away. As a partner in the BBN project, GoodWeave was able to offer Laxmi a chance to continue her education and live at the GoodWeave transit home in Kathmandu, 'HAMRO GHAR'. Laxmi lives happily at 'HAMRO GHAR' now and is excited to be able to finish her studies. She likes to dance, play and she hopes to be a singer someday.

### **Bimala Thokar**

Bimala's parents were farmers in a village of Makawanpur district. However, they didn't make enough income from agriculture to be able to sustain their children including Bimala.



So, when Bimala was only 11 years old, her father sent her to the Kathmandu to work in a carpet factory. Her father took an advance of Rs.30,000 from the contractor in exchange of Bimala's labor. Everyday, she would work 15-hours to repay the advance. Bimala told that those days were really difficult for her. She worked for six months, and then fortunately, one day she was remediated by a GoodWeave inspection team and sent to 'HAMRO GHAR'.

Bimala wants to continue her studies. She is grateful to GoodWeave for providing opportunity of education and hope at 'HAMRO GHAR'.

## **ii. Community-Based Rehabilitation (CBR) Program**

The CBR program is the topmost priority of the GoodWeave. NGF strongly believes that family is the best place for a child to develop. Therefore, the

organization makes all possible efforts to reintegrate children with their parents or close family members. After reintegration within their home communities, the NGF social team continuously monitors these families in order to ensure that the children are regularly attending school and not sent back to work, abused or exploited in any way. Mostly, after their advanced level exam, the children are CBR to the relatives or parents with an educational support from GoodWeave. A form including details of parents are filled by Social Supervisor and warden of Transit Home and the coordination is done by Program Officer. All the parents are informed about the support which GoodWeave provides regarding the studies of children.

By the end of the year 2021, 8 children enrolled in this program are studying from grade 3 to SEE (Secondary level Education Examination) with educational support and out of them, 2 CBR children appeared in SEE exam. A small amount of money for mid-day meal in schools is also provided. NGF social team closely monitors the progress of each child's education in order to ensure that the GoodWeave support is really bringing changes in the lives of the beneficiaries. For this the team visits the child's family, community and schools on quarterly basis.

### **Santosh Tamang (Syangtan)**

Santosh Tamang originally belongs to Bakaiya-7, Makawanpur. When he was only a year old his father died and mother remarried. His elder brother raised him. They had hard life in the village. So, they came to Kathmandu to work in a carpet factory. He was only five years at that time. He accompanied his brother and watched him work whole day.



Despite keen interest in education, Santosh started to work at the age of 10 as it was difficult to earn daily livelihood from his brother's weaving alone. In the carpet factory, he didn't get enough nutrition and rest needed for growing.

Santosh was only 12 years when he got removed from the factory. His wish of study came true when he got opportunity of education at NGF's Transit Home (HAMRO GHAR). He started his education from intro level at Transit Home, where he found lots of his friends of same community. He is most disciplined and hardworking. After completion of informal education at 'HAMRO GHAR', he was reunited with the family under CBR program. Now, he is studying in Grade 10, in Makawanpur district. He is very thankful to NGF for supporting his education and helping for making his future better. He hopes for more support from NGF in future to continue his study.

### **iii. School-Based Rehabilitation program**

This is an entirely residential program, where children are provided with a formal education support with full hostel facilities. NGF has collaboration with Laboratory Secondary (LAB) School, Kirtipur, where children are getting formal education in a sound environment. 29 Children pursued their education in LAB School. Among them, 27 are continuing their education and 2 have graduated this year from the program.

### **Rakesh Gongba (Pahari)**

Rakesh Gongba is originally from Bhiman, Sindhuli. His family consists of 11 members; father, mother, 3 elder brothers, 3 elder sisters, 2 younger brothers and himself. Rakesh was brought up with love and care. Alcoholic habit of his father and large family made



life difficult for him along with other members. His mother and father also started living separately. His family suffered a lot due to poverty. He had attended up to grade 5 and his family could not afford to continue his school. He came to Kathmandu with his elder sister to weave carpet in a factory. He worked for 7 months in the factory working 15 hours a day. He spent miserable and difficult days there.

It was an important day for Rakesh, when he was remediated from the carpet factory and admitted to Transit Home ('HAMRO GHAR') by monitoring team of GoodWeave. He got opportunity to continue his study and family environment at 'HAMRO GHAR'.

Presently, Rakesh studies in grade 7 at LAB school. He loves singing and playing with friends. He is also very good in playing chess. He is intelligent and hardworking. He wants to be a doctor and serve poor people. He is happy and thankful to GoodWeave for the opportunity of education.

### **Kanchan Pakhrin**

Kanchan was only 7 years when her father died with unknown disease. Her father had a carpet factory in Kathmandu. So, Kanchan had happy family with good business. After the death of her father, their business collapsed. Her elder brothers started to work in transportation and mother worked as a weaver in the carpet. She was sent to the village with relatives. Kanchan's mother remarried and her painful days started. She thought she was alone in the world.



Kanchan was unknown with village life and she faced numerous problems over there. She was scolded and lived without food for several days. She missed the happy moment with her family.

When Kanchan got familiar with lives of village and learnt agriculture and livestock, she was brought to Kathmandu by her uncle. Her suffering did not change even in Kathmandu. So, she ran away from there and lived with her own mother. Her mother loved her but her stepfather didn't. Due to inadequate family support, she started to weave carpet with her elder brother. She worked day and night without payment.

Fortunately, Good Weave's monitoring team remediated her from the loom and admitted to Transit Home ('HAMRO GHAR'). She got the opportunity of education including singing, dancing, playing and made friends at home. She did hard work and just within one and half year's informal education at Transitt Home, she got admission in grade 6 at LAB school, Kirtipur.

Currently, Kanchan is studying in grade 10 and aims to be interior designer. She is grateful to GoodWeave for such an opportunity and new hope of life.

### **Maya Syangtan**

Maya Syangtan was born in Nijgad (Ratanpur) Municipality, Bara district in a small family. The economic crises and alcoholic habit of her father always caused fights in the family. Maya and her brother's condition became worse after her mother eloped. Her father did not take care of them. She became helpless and alone after her brother died. She had to do



household and livestock at very young age.

Maya had no option other than to work in a carpet factory in Kathmandu, when her father became sick and she needed money for his treatment. Her uncle, who had brought her there, ran away taking advance in her name. She remembers those days as a bitter part of life, where she was lost in darkness and no hope from life.

Meanwhile, monitoring team of GoodWeave found her and remediated. She was admitted at Transit Home ('HAMRO GHAR'), where she could get multiple support in homely environment.

At present, Maya is studying in grade 12 at LAB school, Kirtipur. She wants to continue her studies in Information Technology (IT). She is thankful to GoodWeave for supporting her and other children in their education.

### **Aakash Praja**

Aakash Praja belongs to marginalized community of Nepal in Makawanpur district. He was deprived of formal education due to poor economic condition and lack of awareness about the importance of education in his family.



Instead of going to school, he helped in the household works and looked after his siblings at home. His mother used to go to work for the villagers to manage food for the children. It was the daily routine of his mother but one evening, she looked unwell. The next morning, Aakash was told that his mother had died. The family condition became more pathetic.

Aakash and his elder brother worked in hotels as a dish washers. When Akash was 9 years of age, they came to Kathmandu to work in a carpet factory in order to manage the fees to their siblings. Fortunately, the factory was a part of GoodWeave's program and the monitoring team remediated him from the factory. He was brought to 'HAMRO GHAR', where he received family environment and made new friends. He also got the opportunity of education, which he had missed in the village.

Aakash is studying in class 12 at Laboratory Secondary School, Kirtipur. He is happy to receive the opportunity and grateful to GoodWeave.

#### **iv. Vocational Training (VT)**

Young adults, who are eager to continue their career in technical field of their interest and capability, are enrolled into different vocational trainings. NGF is providing such opportunity to those young children, who are interested for VT rather than formal education. NGF has collaboration with UCEP for the vocational training program. This year 2 children above 16 years were enrolled in VT at UCEP Nepal. They have completed their training in house wiring and plumbing with residential facility.

#### **b. Preventive Social Program**

- Sponsored Education Program (SEP)
- Early Childhood Development Centre (ECDC)
- Counseling provided to children and their families

## **i. Sponsored Education Program (SEP)**

The Sponsored Education Program is the most popular and highly demanded program of the NGF. This program works to prevent children from entering the carpet industry as a child laborer. Hundreds of children are at carpet factories with their families, helping their parents or guardians in daily chores such as cooking, washing dishes and taking care of younger babies or doing nothing. Many of them are of school-going age but are not necessarily enrolled in schools due to lack of funds to pay school fees. These children, if not sent to schools, are highly at the risk of joining the industry sooner or later in order to contribute to their families' economic stability or for their own survival.

The NGF sponsors children, who meet the program criteria, focusing on their potential future involvement in child labor activities. The NGF works directly with parents and children working in carpet factories of GoodWeave's Licensee Factories, forming a one-on-one agreement detailing expectations on both sides before enrolling children at nearest available schools.

NGF has been sponsoring education of carpet workers' children since 2001. 206 children are studying from nursery to the Secondary Education Examination (SEE) level at schools nearby the factories under this program.

### **Anu Sunar**

16 years old, Anu Sunar is originally from Chitwan. Now, she is studying in grade 8 in Nawajagriti Secondary School, Ramhiti, Boudha. She lives in a small family and her parents work in a carpet factory, which is part of GoodWeave's program.



Anu is a kind, loving and caring child. She thinks family is the most valuable because they give her care and education.

Anu has a dream to be a teacher someday. She is receiving Sponsor Education Program (SEP) support from GoodWeave Foundation since 2018. The program has helped her to stay focused and motivated on her dream to create a family atmosphere for the students like Gurus/teacher of ancient times, who can contribute to the country.

## **ii. Early Childhood Development Center (ECDC)**

ECDC supports carpet weavers with young children between the age of two and six, who would ordinarily keep their children with them while they are working, by providing a day care center service. Having young children present in the factory may not only be dangerous to the children, but it may also cause a distraction for the parents and their working performance and earnings can be hindered.

Each center involved in this scheme provides the weavers' children with a safe and child-friendly environment, where children can play learn and interact with their peers under the supervision of adult caretakers. Workers drop their children at these centers in the morning before going to work and pick them up again in the evening. This gives the parents, particularly the mothers, an ability to work freely with more attention and without worrying about their children. In addition, children become accustomed to a school-like environment and parents are encouraged to continue the education of their children into the future. The NGF implements this program through partner NGOs in 'carpet cluster' areas. Currently, NGF has four day care centers in different locations, which are

run by our partner organizations. Total 146 children have been enrolled in this program in 2 centers. Following 2 partner NGOs support to operate the ECD centers:

### **Children Welfare and Rural Development Services (CWARDS)**

Children Welfare and Rural Development Services (CWARDS) was established in 2002 with the initiation of professionals, social workers, and representatives of mothers group and children. Since its establishment, this organization has been focusing on uplifting people from the poor, marginalized, ethnic minority and deprived communities through the optimum utilization of local resources. CWARDS has been working with NGF since 2005. This center conducts different levels of classes like PG (Playgroup), Nursery and KG (Kindergarten). Additionally, CWARDS has been providing health and hygiene supports as well as snacks to the children. As an outdoor program, exposure visits and picnics are organized for the children. Total 65 children were enrolled at CWARDS in 2021.

### **Education Protection and Help for Children (EPHC)**

EPHC was established in 1990 by a group of concerned young men and women to support poor children living around Pashupatinath Temple in Kathmandu. Initially, the support was offered in a small rented area just outside the temple to 15 children including street children, domestic workers and others who earned money by guarding shoes of devotees. Additionally, EPHC has been providing health and hygiene supports as well as snacks to the children. As an outdoor program, exposure visits and picnics are organized for the children. This organization has been running the Early Childhood and Development Center in partnership with Nepal GoodWeave Foundation since 2001 A.D. Total 89 children received benefits in 2021 in EPHC.

### **iii. Counseling Provided to Children and their Families**

Counseling is also an integral part of NGF activities. Social team is always conducting counseling sessions based on the needs and requirements of the group, individual and children. Children are the foremost priority of NGF and for protection of child rights, NGF has to deal with many people including workers, labor contractors, factory owners, and parents of the children as well as others if needed. So, the social team is conducting these sessions based on needs and potentiality of the risk.

At the end of 2021, a total of 15 individual counseling sessions, 10 group counseling and 14 other sessions like alternative learning skills, self-care and creativity methods benefitted 53 children from Transit Home and LAB school. During the counseling sessions and group sessions, mostly talk therapy was done; play sessions, expressive therapy and sharing group sessions were also done as therapeutic interventions.

### **c. Awareness and Advocacy Program**

- Consultative meetings with stakeholders
- Mass awareness program
- Publication and distribution of printed materials (Annual reports, brochures, posters and calendars)
- Production and Airing of Radio PSAs

# Major Activities of NGF

## 1. **Common Birthday and Annual Day Celebration**

On 1st January, 2021, Nepal GoodWeave Foundation (NGF) celebrated GoodWeave Annual Day and Common Birthday of children at Transit Home, Gothatar, Kathmandu in presence of NGF Executive committee members, stakeholders and NGF staff. The birthday is commonly celebrated as most of the children do not know their actual date of birth.



The program started with welcome speech of General Secretary, Mr. Kiran Thapa. He assured that entire NGF team is working for children's bright future and will work in coming days as well.

Mr. Asta Lal Shrestha, Acting President of Kageshwori-Manohara Municipality ward no. 8, Kathmandu and the chief guest of the program, appreciated the works of NGF. He also suggested NGF to conduct training on physical safety like karate for the children to enhance their self-defense skills and discipline besides education.

The program was hosted by program officer Mr. Hem Bdr. Moktan and chaired by President Mr. Samik Bikram Shah. On the day, Transit Home was decorated with balloons and different decorative items by children themselves. In the program, children showcased their different talents. The children were delighted to receive sports materials like football, volleyball, badminton etc. and winter clothes as birthday gifts. The program ended with birthday cake cutting ceremony followed by lunch.

## 2. **Basanta Panchami Celebration**

On 16th of February, 2021, Basanta Panchami was celebrated at Transit Home by worshipping Saraswati Mata, the goddess of education. On the day, children exhibited art of goddess Saraswati and received Prasad and Tika from the elders. In the program, the coordinator of Transit Home explained the reasons for celebrating Basanta Panchami and importance of education in one's life.



## 3. **Holi Festival Celebration**

On 18th March 2021, Transit Home celebrated Holi, the festival of colors.



Wearing Holi t-shirts distributed to all the children and receiving rainbow colors from the coordinator as a symbol of love and care, they enjoyed a lot on the day. The children were equally delighted with dance and music, offering colors among each other.

#### **4. Excursion to Godawari Botanical Garden**

On 2nd April, 2021, Transit Home children, along with NGF and Home's staff, had a visit to Godawari Botanical Garden situated in the South East of Kathmandu valley.



Exposure visits are important as they allow learning in practical/real life situations.

All the children enjoyed in the natural environment and took notes of various plants they observed. Different games and delicious food made the visit more memorable. Such visits need to be made more frequent for the children to enhance creativity, connection with nature and for their overall development.

## 5. **Participation in Program of ILO- Nepal**

Ms. Suna Maya Moktan, a child of Transit Home, participated as a panelist in the program organized by ILO Nepal on 11th June, 2021. The program was held on the occasion of World Day against Child Labor (June 12). Suna was lucky child to represent the children of Nepal at the distinguished program. She shared her life story; experiences of her childhood and reasons for being child laborer. Program Officer, Mr. Hem Bdr. Moktan and Warden of Transit Home, Ms. Sumi Grimire also participated in the program.

## 6. **Activities for Children During Lockdown**

During the time of lockdown, children of Transit Home had different activities via online medium, with the help of coordinator and teachers. They played many interesting physical and puzzle games. They did different paper art in groups. The children shared their stories by looking at different pictures with



much excitement, which could be seen in their expressions too. Keeping the children engaged was challenging job during the lockdown. Therefore, NGF managed musical instruments, sports materials and items of arts and colors to overcome the boredom, mental and physical stress of pandemic.

## 7. **Prize Distribution**

At the end of the academic year 2078, prizes were distributed to the children in various categories. The first, second and third position holders

from intro, basic and advance classes got prizes based on their academic performances. The group winner of quiz contest and carom board competition were awarded. Likewise, prizes were distributed to the most disciplined boy and girl. The program was chaired by the coordinator Ms. Gita Thapa and hosted by teacher Ms. Kalpana Shrestha. Mr. Hem Bdr. Moktan (Program Officer) was invited as a chief guest in the program.

## 8. Teej Celebration

On 30th August, 2021, NGF celebrated Teej festival's Dar program. Considered as the festival of ladies, all the female staff presented themselves in beautiful attire and celebrated the day with delicious food and dances. Entire female staff and Transit Home girls were motivated with accessories like Bangles, Mehandi, Nail polish, Hair band and Tika as gift.



## 9. National Children's Day Celebration

Transit Home celebrated National Children's day virtually through projector on 29th of Bhadra. The program was hosted by the Coordinator of Transit Home, Ms. Gita Thapa. The program started with the speech of Program Officer, Mr. Hem Bdr. Moktan, who also described history and

reason behind celebrating children's day. The children enjoyed different games. They were excited for cake cutting followed by special lunch. On the auspicious occasion, General Secretary, Mr. Kiran Thapa delivered wishes to the children online.



## 10. Relief Distribution

Nepal GoodWeave Foundation (NGF) distributed prevention materials (surgical masks, hand sanitizer, soap, sanitary pad, multivitamins & Zinc tablet, thermo gun, oximeters, water dispenser, etc.) and food relief



package for the targeted workers of carpet factories and vulnerable children of child care centers, day care centers, schools and transit home, with grant support of Give2Asia (G2A) in the month of October, 2021.

Total 960 beneficiaries, including 401 carpet factory workers, 546 vulnerable children and 13 staff of NGF, received the relief support.

The beneficiaries appreciated the effort of NGF and G2A and also expected for further assistance in coming days. The project was fruitful for those people, who were highly affected during the pandemic and the beneficiaries expressed gratitude to the organizer and supporting organization for the relief in such challenging time of COVID-19 pandemic.

## **11. Establishment of Isolation Center**

NGF established well equipped 4 beds isolation center (2 beds for girls and 2 beds for boys in separate flat) in Transit Home ("HAMRO GHAR"), Gothatar, Kathmandu to provide isolation shelter and basic medication for the children. The children, who tested COVID positive or havign mild symptoms could benefit from the facility. Health services, medical and psychosocial counselling and doctors visit at isolation center was managed. Online health counselling service was provided for isolated



patients. Guidance was provided regularly for necessary precaution and further treatment on need basis.

## **12. Dashain clothes Distribution**

NGF distributed Dashain clothes to the children of Transit Home and LAB school. The Program and Admin department members were also present in the distribution program. The program was hosted by the coordinator of Transit Home. T-shirts, Jeans, shoes and bags were distributed to the children as Dashain gifts. The children were very happy to get the gifts. They had photo shoot and dance with their new clothes.



## **13. Dashain And Tihar Celebration**

Transit Home celebrated Dashain festival traditionally in a homely environment for the children, who were unable to visit their homes. The children went to visit Krishna Mandir and Pasupatinath Temple with in-house staff and also played traditional 'ping' in nearby location. The children received Tika, Jamara and blessings from the seniors along with dakchhina and also enjoyed special food items prepared for the festival.

Similarly, Transit Home also celebrated festival of light “Tihar”. Deusi and Bhailo played by the children in premises of Transit Home was the main attraction of the festival. On the day of Laxmi Puja, children also prepared Rangoli and decorated home with flowers and garlands. Girls offered the tika to the boys considering as brothers and sisters on the occasion of Bhai Tika. Sisters also served Selroti and Bhai Masala for their respective brothers.



#### **14. Motivational class for the children**

Nepal GoodWeave Foundation conducted motivational class for the children of Transit Home on 21st November, 2021 in collaboration with Ward No.8 Office of Kageshwori Manohara Municipality. The class was facilitated by Ward Secretary, Ms. Sabina Shrestha. The class was targeted for those children, who got distracted from their education after Dashain vacation. In the class, Ms. Shrestha used different tools for motivating children. She gave different topic to children for drawing and presentation, which was most effective for them. According to the children, her presentation on difference in perspective of ways of earning by educated and uneducated person inspired them a lot. As a whole, the class remained fruitful and insightful for the children of Transit Home.

## 15. **Karate Class for Children**

NGF conducted Karate classes for children of Transit Home from renowned Karate teachers. The game teaches an individual the art of self-defense and motivate them towards self-improvement. The concern of board members for overall personal development of the children is the sole motive behind conducting the class. The game is helping the children to achieve balance in body and mind.



## 16. **Friday Extra Activities**

Every Friday of 2021, Transit Home conducted different competitions for the children as an extra activities. For the activities, children were divided into four houses red, yellow, green and blue. Children participated in every activity with equal excitement and enjoyed, although they were entertained mostly by quiz and sports competition. Such activities helped children to get refreshment from regular routine. This year, children had drawing, quiz, carom board, hand writing competitions as an extra activities.

## 17. Annual General Meeting

Nepal GoodWeave Foundation conducted its Annual General Meeting (AGM) on 22nd November, 2021 at Airport Hotel, Kathmandu. Advisors, Executive Members, General Members, Licensees and staff participated in the meeting. The AGM elected new Executive Committee for 2 years headed by Mr. Samik Bikram Shah. The Executive Committee represented both Carpet and NGO sectors.



All activities were performed as per the pre- planned schedule and the meeting was held on estimated time. All the participants were found happy and satisfied on the achievements of organization. They were informed about all activities of the organization. They were found positive, supportive and committed to promote the GoodWeave from their side.

## 18. Visit of Laayla Saad

Ms. Laayla Saad, (well-wisher of GoodWeave) from USA visited Transit Home and LAB school at the end of November to know social program of NGF. She was accompanied by President of NGF, Mr. Samik Bikram Shah and program Officer, Mr. Hem Bdr. Moktan during her visit at Transit

Home. She had interaction with children and staff and was impressed by the works of GoodWeave.



## **19. Monitoring Transit Home**

Kageshwori Manohara Municipality monitored the Transit Home ('HAMRO GHAR') on 15th December, 2021 with the purpose of observing the conditions of education, health and protection of children at home and over all coordination with stakeholders. The monitoring task was led by Women, Children and Social Welfare Section head Ms. Anita Tamang from the Municipality. She had interaction with Program Officer, Mr. Hem Bdr. Muktan and Warden, Ms. Sumi Ghimire to understand the academic enrollment system and protection policies of the children. Similarly, she observed the Transit Home and appreciated the work of NGF for children.

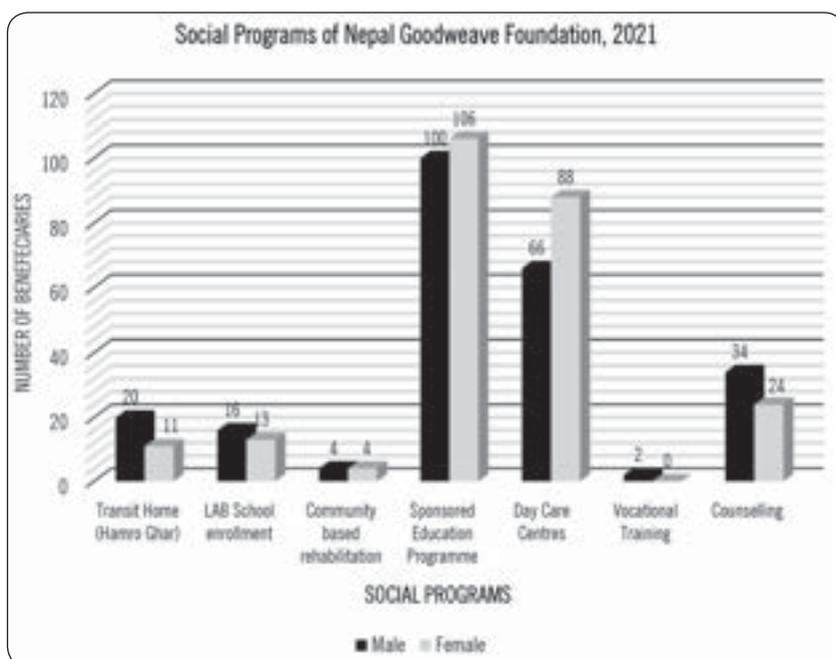
## **20. Formation of Child Club**

Transit Home formed a child club for the development of creativity and innovative skills of children as per the guideline of Nepal Government's Local Body (Municipality). The club promotes participation of children in different

learning process and life skill activities. The child club has been formed under the patronship of Program Officer of NGF, Mr. Hem Bdr. Moktan.



## Social Program in Graph



## **Key Achievements**

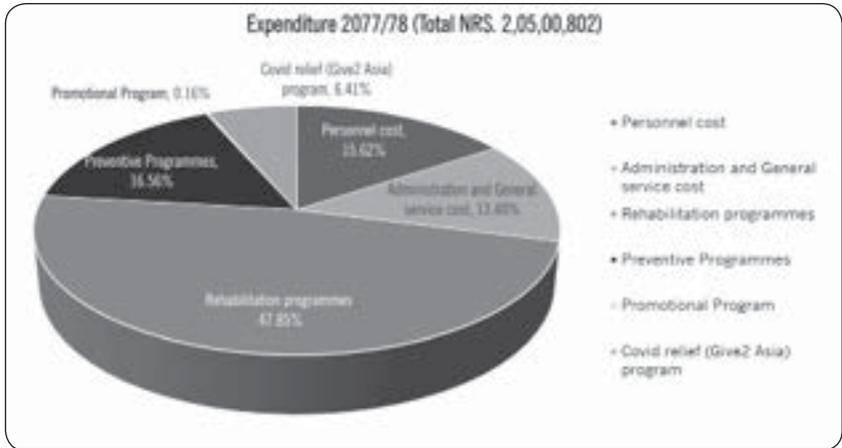
- ◇ Provided support to 8 CBR children and continued follow up.
- ◇ 29 children benefitted with residential formal education at Laboratory Boarding School.
- ◇ 31 children received non-formal education with residential facilities at 'HAMRO GHAR'.
- ◇ Conducted e-learning training of child protection policy for staff of NGF and Day Care Centers.
- ◇ Organized one day exposure visit for the children of Transit Home to Godawari Botanical Garden, Lalitpur.
- ◇ Affiliated (temporary) transit home ('HAMRO GHAR') with National Child Rights Council (NCRC).
- ◇ PCR test for all children and staff of 'HAMRO GHAR'.
- ◇ 2 children obtained vocational training at UCEP Nepal.
- ◇ Celebrated National Children's Day at 'HAMRO GHAR' and Day Care Centers.
- ◇ Provided health prevention materials to the children and staff of 'HAMRO GHAR' and Day Care Centers.
- ◇ Established 4 (2/2) beds isolation center/ room at Harmo Ghar for girls and boys separately.
- ◇ Distributed Dashain, summer and winter clothes to the children of 'HAMRO GHAR' and LAB school.
- ◇ Introduced Karate class for the children of 'HAMRO GHAR'.
- ◇ A well-wisher of GoodWeave Ms. Laayla Saad received at NGF.
- ◇ Organized extra-curricular activities for the children of 'HAMRO GHAR'.

## **Key Learnings**

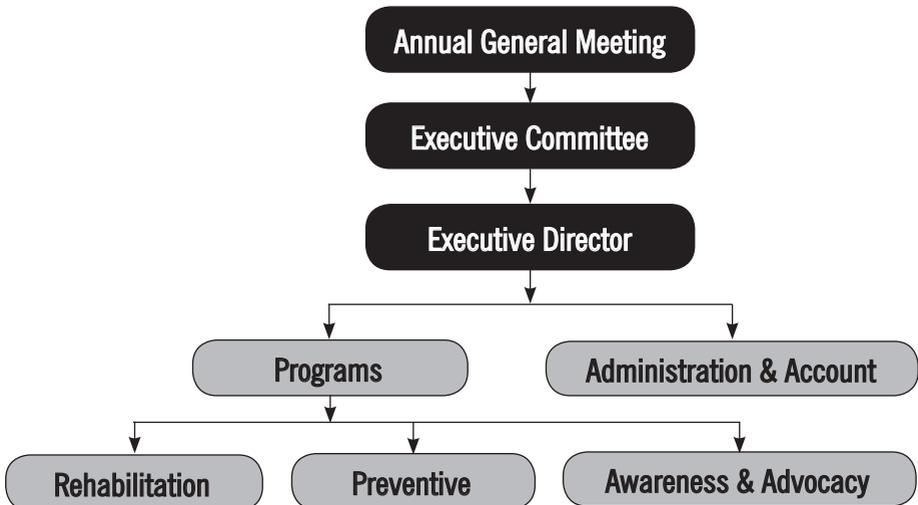
- ◇ Define protocol and apply them as a precaution to prevent the staff and children in transit home and LAB school from COVID-19 virus and other seasonal flu.
- ◇ Get the COVID vaccine by all staff and children as per the prescription of Nepal Government.
- ◇ Motivate the children to continue their education by regular counseling and follow up.
- ◇ Prepare the individual record files of children at Hamro Ghar.

- ◇ Coordinate with local government and stakeholders to derive the optimum outcomes from the program.
- ◇ Updated with the changing requirements of regulatory authorities.
- ◇ Formulate the adequate plans in order to bring children back on track after long vacations.

### Statement of Expenditure (FY: 2077-78)



### Organizational Structure



## **Subcommittees and Child Advisory Committee Recruitment Committee**

Coordinator	Mr. Samik Bikram Shah (President)
Member	Mr. Ubaraj Bhandari (Vice-President)
Member	Mr. Kiran Thapa (General Secretary)
Member	Mr. Bishnu Bahadur Khatri (Child Rights Expert)

## **Procurement Committee**

Coordinator:	Mr. Bala Ram Gurung (Treasurer)
Member:	Mr. Ubaraj Bhandari (Vice-President)
Member:	Ms. Kalpana Timilsina (Executive Member)
Member:	Ms. Srijana G. C. (Executive Member)

## **Child Protection Committee**

Coordinator	Mr. Liladhar Bhandari (Executive Member)
Member	Mr. Ajay Singh Karki (Executive Member)
Member	Ms. Sarda Basnet (Executive Member)
Focal Person	Mr. Hem Bdr. Moktan (Program Officer)

## **Child Advisory Committee**

Coordinator	Mr. Suman Pahari
Member	Ms. Laxmi Sunar
Member	Mr. Kanchha Lal Pakhrin
Member	Mr. Bikash Waiba
Member	Mr. Ajay Syangtan
Member	Ms. Srijana Blon
Member	Ms. Samjhana Thing

## **Staff and Designations**

### **Admin & Account Department**

Ms. Srijana Sharma Ghimire

Ms. Rina Chaudhary

Ms. Sanu Nani Acharya

Mr. Keshar Bahadur Khadka

### **Designation**

Admin. & Account Officer

Admin. & Account Associate

Office Support Staff

Office Helper

### **Program Department**

Mr. Hem Bahadur Moktan

Ms. Tuka C. Sherpa

Ms. Bipan Shah

Program Officer

Program Supervisor

Senior Psycho Social Counselor

### **Transit Home**

Ms. Gita Thapa

Ms. Sumi Ghimire

Ms. Kalpana Shrestha

Ms. Raj Kumari Tamang

Ms. Harka Kumari Budhathoki

Ms. Anjana Thing

Mr. Prabin Napti

Coordinator - Transit Home

Warden (Residential Staff)

Teacher

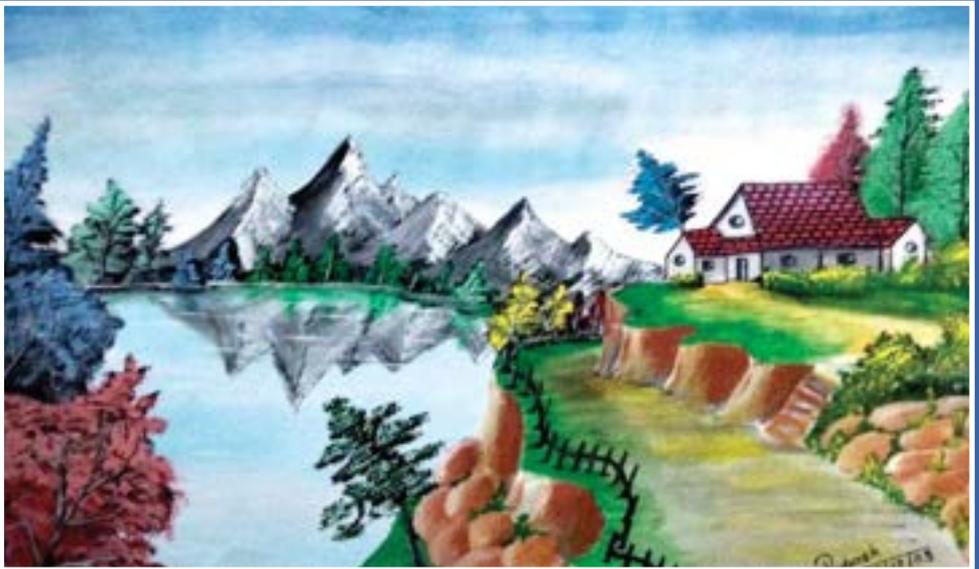
Care Taker (Residential Staff)

Cook (Residential Staff)

Dance teacher cum tutor

Guard (Residential Staff)





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